

<sup>6</sup> Category 659-O: all HTS numbers except 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020, 6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038, 6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000, 6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054, 6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010, 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010, 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017, 6211.43.0010 (Category 659-C.); 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090, 6505.90.8090 (Category 659-H); 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540 (Category 659pt.).

<sup>7</sup> Category 669-O: all HTS numbers except: 6305.32.0010, 6305.32.0020, 6305.33.0010, 6305.33.0020, 6305.39.0000 (Category 669-P); 5601.10.2000, 5601.22.0090, 5607.49.3000, 5607.50.4000 and 6406.10.9040 (Category 669pt.).

<sup>8</sup> Category 670-O: all HTS numbers except 4202.12.8030, 4202.12.8070, 4202.92.3020, 4202.92.3031, 4202.92.9026 and 6307.90.9907 (Category 670-L).

<sup>9</sup> Category 859pt.: only HTS numbers 6115.19.8040, 6117.10.6020, 6212.10.5030, 6212.10.9040, 6212.20.0030, 6212.30.0030, 6212.90.0090, 6214.10.2000 and 6214.90.0090.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Qatar

March 14, 2001.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs reducing a limit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 20, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limit for Categories 347/348 is being reduced for carryforward used.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States** (see **Federal Register** notice 65 FR 82328, published on December 28, 2000). Also see 65 FR 66726, published on November 7, 2000.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

March 14, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,  
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on October 27, 2000, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Qatar and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2001 and extending through December 31, 2001.

Effective on March 20, 2001, you are directed to reduce the current limit for Categories 347/348 to 616,466 dozen<sup>1</sup>, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### New Export Visa and Certification Stamps for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Romania

March 14, 2001.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs providing for the use of new export visa and certification stamps.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

Beginning on April 1, 2001, the Government of Romania will start issuing a new export visa stamp for shipments of textile products, produced or manufactured in Romania, and exported from Romania on or after April 1, 2001 and a new certification stamp for products exported under the Outward Processing Program (64 FR 69746, published on December 14, 1999). The new stamps reflect a name change from "Ministry of Commerce-Department of Foreign Trade" to "MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS-DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC PROMOTION" for the visa stamp and "MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS" for the certification stamp but are otherwise unchanged. There will be a one-month grace period from April 1, 2001 through April 30, 2001, during which products exported from Romania may be accompanied by either the old or new stamps. Products exported from Romania on or after May 1, 2001 must be accompanied by the new export visa or certification stamp.

Facsimiles of the new visa and certification stamps are on file at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Textiles and Apparel, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 3104, Washington, DC.

<sup>1</sup> The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2000.

See 64 FR 69744, published on December 14, 1999, as amended.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

March 14, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,  
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC  
20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 9, 1999, as amended, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive directed you to prohibit entry of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Romania for which the Government of Romania has not issued appropriate export visa and certification stamps.

Beginning on April 1, 2001, you are directed to amend further the directive dated December 9, 1999 to provide for the use of new export visa stamp and a new certification stamp for products exported under the Outward Processing Program (see directive dated December 8, 1999) issued by the Government of Romania to accompany shipments of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Romania and exported from Romania on or after April 1, 2001 and. The new stamps reflect a name change from "Ministry of Commerce—Department of Foreign Trade" to "MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS—DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC PROMOTION" for the visa stamp and "MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS" for the certification stamp but are otherwise unchanged.

Textile products exported from Romania during the period April 1, 2001 through April 30, 2001 may be accompanied by either the old or new stamps. Products exported from Romania on or after May 1, 2001 must be accompanied by the new export visa or certification stamp.

Facsimiles of the new visa and certification stamps are enclosed with this letter.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by the appropriate export visa or certification stamp shall be denied entry and a new visa or certification stamp must be obtained.

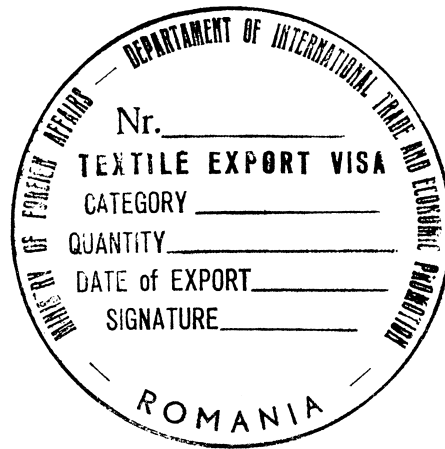
The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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<p><b>MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS</b></p> <p>No. _____</p> <p><b>TEXTILE EXPORT VISA</b></p> <p>CATEGORY _____</p> <p>QUANTITY _____</p> <p>DATE OF EXPORT _____</p> <p>SIGNATURE _____</p> <p>- ROMANIA -</p>
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**COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**

**New Export Visa Stamp for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Russia**

March 14, 2001.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs providing for the use of a new export visa stamp.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

Beginning on April 1, 2001, the Government of the Russian Federation

will start issuing a new export visa stamp for shipments of wool textile products in Category 435, produced or manufactured in Russia, and exported from Russia on or after April 1, 2001. The new visa stamp reflects a name change from "MINISTRY OF TRADE" to "MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE" but is otherwise unchanged. There will be a one-month grace period from April 1, 2001 through April 30, 2001, during which products exported from Russia may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Russia on or after May 1, 2001 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

See 62 FR 4729, published on January 31, 1997.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

March 14, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,  
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC  
20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on January 28, 1997, as amended, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive directed you to prohibit entry of certain wool textile products in Category 435, produced or manufactured in Russia for which the Government of the Russian Federation has not issued an appropriate export visa.

Beginning on April 1, 2001, you are directed to amend further the directive dated January 28, 1997 to provide for the use of a new export visa stamp issued by the Government of the Russian Federation to accompany shipments of wool textile products in Category 435, produced or manufactured in Russia, and exported from Russia on or after April 1, 2001. The new visa stamp reflects a name change from "MINISTRY OF TRADE" to "MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE" but is otherwise unchanged.

Textile products exported from Russia during the period April 1, 2001 through April 30, 2001 may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Russia on or after May 1, 2001 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

A facsimile of the new visa stamp is enclosed with this letter.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by an appropriate export visa shall be denied entry and a new visa must be obtained.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).